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PATENT APPLICATION

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For: APPARATUS & METHOD FOR  
PREVENTING AN ERRONEOUS  
OPERATION AT THE TIME OF  
DETECTION OF A SYSTEM  
FAILURE

Art Unit: 2184

Examiner: Puente, Emerson C.

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

Extension fee for response within first month:

( ) By a small entity (\$1.9(f)) ..... \$ 55.00  
(X) By other than a small entity ..... \$ 110.00

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( ) By a small entity (\$1.9(f)) ..... \$ 210.00  
( ) By other than a small entity ..... \$ 420.00

Extension fee for response within third month:

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( ) By other than a small entity ..... \$ 950.00

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( ) By a small entity (\$1.9(f)) ..... \$ 740.00  
( ) By other than a small entity ..... \$1480.00

Extension fee for response within fifth month:

( ) By a small entity (\$1.9(f)) ..... \$1005.00  
( ) By other than a small entity ..... \$2010.00

(X) A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this petition, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper amount be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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